ing representations were promised to be referred to the Chief Court:—

(1) Consolidation of enrolment fee of Pleaders.

(2) Review in Criminal Cases by the Chief Court.

(3) Amendment of O.XXI R. 32 Civil Procedure Code.

(*b*) Have they been so referred? If so, to what effect?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT.—

A.—59. (*a*) (1) The matter is under the consideration of the Chief Court.

(2) This was not referred to the Chief Court. The member's attention is invited to the Proceedings relating to this representation.

(3) The matter is under the consideration of Government.

(*b*) *Vide* answers to (*a*).

DHARMAPRAKASA D. BANUMIAH (Special Interest).—

Q.—18. (*a*) Are the Government aware of—

(1) The theft of piece goods in the shop of Messrs. Abba Abdul Shukkur Sait & Sons to the extent of Rs. 5,000 in the month of September 1927.

(2) The theft of cash and currency notes to the extent of Rs. 15,000 in the shop of Mr. Halia Hassan Mohamed in Doddapet, which took place in the month of October 1928?

(3) Whether the shop is not opposite to the office and residence of the Assistant Superintendent of Police and close to the Central Police Station?

(4) The murder of a Vysya woman in Sivarampet and the robbing of cash and jewellery some months back.

(5) The telegraphic messages sent by concerned parties [of Items Nos. (1) and (2)] to the Inspector-General of Police ?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1) Whether any special instructions were sent by the Inspector-General of Police to the Local Police?

(2) Whether the above cases have been detected?

(3) What reports have been submitted to the Court of the City Magistrate in the above cases?

(4) If they have not been detected, why have they not been?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT.—

A.—18. (*a*) (1) Yes.

(2) Yes.

(3) It is in the opposite row but not exactly opposite to the Assistant Superintendent's Office.

(4) Yes. (It is not known what property in the form of jewels or cash was lost since the woman was living alone and had no relatives. The neighbours say that they heard nothing unusual in the house of the deceased on the night of the occurrence.)

(5) A petition was received from the complainant in each case by the Inspector-General of Police and the same was acknowledged by him.

(*b*) (1) The Inspector-General of Police took personal interest in the two cases of theft and directed several intelligent Police Officers on various clues. Attempts are still being made to detect the case.

(2) No.

(3) In the first case a 'C' report has been submitted and the other two cases are pending investigation with the Police.

(4) No clues were obtained in spite of all efforts made.

MR. S. V. GURUMURTHIACHARYA (Minority Interest).—

Q.—55. Will the Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) On what basis a community is styled as a backward community ?

(*b*) How do Government intend encouraging backward communities when many of the forward communities with a larger percentage of educated men are receiving greater encouragement at their hands ?

(*c*) Whether Government do not consider it to be desirable to include all those who are really backward in education, etc., up to 100,000 as a backward community and try to give them encouragement independently ?

(*d*) If not, will the Government promise to give free education to all such members of backward communities in high schools and colleges ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—55. (*a*) For purposes of the award of backward community scholarship, any caste, tribe or community which